

Remarks

Claims 22-42 were pending.
Claims 1 and 29 are amended.
Claim 28 and 32-42 are cancelled.
Claims 23-27, 30 and 21 are as previously presented.
The application now contains claims 22-27 and 29-31.

Claim 1 is amended to limit the method to the treatment of plastics by inserting the term "of a plastic" immediately after the word "surface" in line 1, deleting the word "surface" in line 2 and inserting in its stead the word "plastic". Support is found in now cancelled claim 36. Claim 1 and claim 29 are amended to delete the material related to the radical of formula Ia as a value for variables R1 and R2 together.

No new matter is added.

Restriction

The Examiner has asked Applicants to elect a single invention from the following:

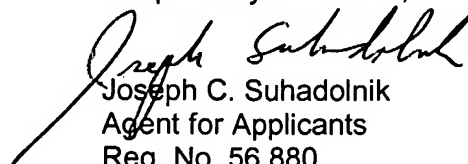
- Group I - Claims 22-31 and 33-39 drawn to a method for treating a surface,
- Group II - Claim 32 drawn to a method for preparing a compound,
- Group III - Claims 40-42 drawn to a personal care preparation.

Applicants elect group I, above now includes only claims 22-27 and 29-31 as a result of the cancellation of claims 28 and 33-39.

Applicants are also asked to select a species with which to begin prosecution. Applicants hereby elect the method in which the a 2,4-bis(alkylamino)pyrimidine is the compound PY 44, depicted on page 21 of the instant specification and prepared in examples 7-9 and is subject matter of claims 22-24, 29 and 31.

Consideration of the elected claims on their merits is respectfully awaited.

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